

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Cannon House  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
312 Lennox Avenue

CITY, TOWN  
Towson

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
Second

STATE  
Maryland

COUNTY  
Baltimore County

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Bernice Cannon

Telephone #: 823-5614

STREET & NUMBER  
312 Lennox Avenue

CITY, TOWN  
Towson

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21204

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. County Courts Bldg.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER  
401 Bosley Avenue

CITY, TOWN  
Towson

STATE  
Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

BA-1014 - 312 Lennox

c. 1905 - 1915

Like its neighbor 310 Lennox (BA-1013), this two-story frame house features a sharp cross-gable on its street-facing roof slope. The house is three bays wide by three rooms deep. A simple porch crosses the main facade.

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**☒ EXCELLENT☐ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☒ UNALTERED☐ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☐ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

312 Lennox Ave.

An outstanding feature of this side-hall single-parlor house is the southeast room, which ends in a bay window. The gable roof of the main house runs east-west, the gable roof of the southeast room runs perpendicular to this, and a two-story addition to the southwest has a shed roof. This addition houses a pantry and kitchen on the first floor, and the first floor of the bay-window room serves as a dining room. A semi-enclosed porch supported by turned posts runs across the north, or front, of the house. A modern one-room addition stands to the south.

An attractive mantel in the parlor features egg-and-dart moldings and curved supports, scrolls opening into featherings in side elevation, ending in clawed feet. The square newel post, scored vertically, is followed by turned balusters. The architraves feature simple beaded board moldings. The windows contain 2/1 sash.

A steep cross-gable lit by a small square window embellishes the north gable. On the first floor a transomed door is to the east while two windows light the parlor to the west. Two windows pierce the second floor facade. At the western side an exterior trap door leads to the cellar. A brick and shaped stone foundation supports the house. The house is covered with white asbestos shingles.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house was constructed around 1907. The Mason family has lived in this house since that time, passed down through inheritance from one generation to the other. The Mason family has been apart of E. Towson since the turn of the century.

The Bromley Atlas 1915 indicates that this structure existed. Prior to the construction of the house the land belonged to John Yellot (1907) and Adelaid Birchhead, 1889 and Benjamin Payne around the early and late 1850's to the mid 1870's

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## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marcus Pollock; M. Stinson, architect

ORGANIZATION

Committee to Save East Towson

DATE

6/30/77

STREET & NUMBER

600 W. Chesapeake Avenue

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Towson

STATE

Maryland 21204

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438



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312 Lennox Ave.  
Towson, Md.  
north

Merry Stinson  
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